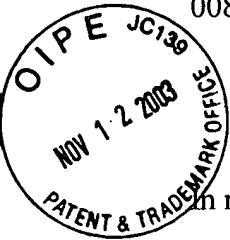


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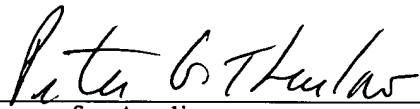
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The cited references were called to Applicants' attention in an Office Action dated August 25, 2003 for Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-055464, which is a counterpart to the instant case. A copy of that Office Action is also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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